PAYING TRIBUTE TO CONNIE DELANEY

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, June 2, 2004

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise to pay tribute to the life and memory of Connie Delaney, who recently passed away at the age of eighty. I knew Connie and her family very well, and she was a devoted mother, a dear friend, and a beloved member of her Glenwood Springs, Colorado community. As her family and community mourn her passing, I believe it is appropriate to recognize the life of this exceptional woman before this body of Congress and this nation.

In 1946 Connie married Robert Delaney and moved to Glenwood Springs and became an active member of her community. She dedicated most of her efforts to Valley View Hospital, accumulating over 8,000 hours of volunteer service. She was the hospital's auxiliary president in 1968, and again in 1983. Serving as the auxiliary's historian, she attended all of the hospitals functions, taking pictures at every event. She then spent many hours putting together scrapbooks that serve as a wonderful history of the hospital. She was always willing to help out in any way she could, with open arms and a beautiful smile.

In recognition of Connie and her husband Robert's extensive community involvement, the Colorado Mountain College honored them during the College's prestigious Calaway Honor Series reception. Above all of her achievements, Connie was most devoted to Robert, sons Rob and Ralph, and daughter Diane.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to rise before this body of Congress and this nation to pay tribute to the life and memory of Connie Delaney. I am proud to have known such a great woman who enriched the lives of her family and community. My heart goes out to her family, friends, and Glenwood Springs community during this difficult time of bereavement. Connie, we will miss you.

HONORING LOIS HALE

HON. DENNIS A. CARDOZA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, June 2, 2004

Mr. CARDOZA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Lois Hale. Lois Hale has dedicated her life to education and the community of Ballico has benefited greatly from her efforts.

Signum scientis est posse docere. The touchstone of knowledge is the ability to teach.

Ms. Lois Hale has this special ability and has selflessly utilized it to the benefit of her community for nearly 40 years. In addition to successfully teaching thousands of our children essential math skills so they may have a solid foundation for future success, Lois Hale has dutifully served as a leader and role model for both students and fellow faculty members.

Ms. Hale has served as President of California's Central Valley Math Council. She has, for many years, offered herself as a mentor to her

students. She has also taken upon herself responsibility for organizing and directing student activities such as the annual Math Superbowl and the biennial Washington DC trip.

She has received the recognition of her peers for her accomplishments. She has been honored with such recognitions as being a California Presidential Award Finalist, twice being listed in the Who's Who Among America's Teachers, and receiving the George Polya Award for Outstanding Teaching.

Perhaps more important and telling than her individual awards and recognitions is the success and accomplishments of those she has taught. This year alone, her Math Superbowl team brought back 28 trophies and countless other recognitions. This is notable, given the fact that her school district has little more than 300 current students.

Ms. Hale has proven her depth of knowledge and character over the past 40 years, and has embodied the idea that Signum scientis est posse docere.

We are honored to have people like Ms. Hale aiding in the development and progress of our children and our community. I would like the House to join me in thanking Ms. Hale for her many years of dedicated and honorable service and to wish her the best in her retirement.

$\begin{array}{c} \text{CONGRATULATING MARK A.} \\ \text{ANGELSON} \end{array}$

HON. RAHM EMANUEL

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, June~2, 2004

Mr. EMANUEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mark A. Angelson for joining RR Donnelley & Sons Company and on being selected as its Chief Executive Officer and as a member of its Board of Directors.

RR Donnelley has a rich and storied history. Founded over 140 years ago in Chicago, the firm has grown to become the largest commercial printer in North America, with 50,000 employees serving clients across the globe. Aside from its unparalleled business achievements, RR Donnelley has established a reputation as a model of good corporate citizenship in the Chicagoland area and around the world.

Through the active participation of its employees in youth education projects, and through the RR Donnelly Foundation and its Corporate Giving Program, RR Donnelley has enhanced the lives of thousands of children and has made lasting contributions to the vibrancy of our communities. I applaud RR Donnelley for serving as a shining example of leadership and commitment to civic responsibility in our city.

Mr. Angelson's distinguished background as an attorney, financier and leading corporate executive will serve him well at the helm of RR Donnelley. Prior to his election as CEO of RR Donnelley on February 27, 2004, Mr. Angelson served as CEO of leading printing firm Moore Wallace Inc. He was instrumental in spearheading the merger between Moore Wallace and RR Donnelley earlier this year. Before joining Moore Wallace, Mr. Angelson practiced law for twenty-one years, including fourteen years with Sidley Austin Brown & Wood, served as a senior executive with Big

Flower Press Holdings, and was Deputy Chairman of Chancery Lane Capital, a New York-based private equity firm.

Before launching his impressive career, the Caldwell, New Jersey native graduated from Rutgers University, where he received Phi Beta Kappa honors, and from Rutgers Law School. Mr. Angelson and his wife are the proud parents of three daughters.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of the Fifth Congressional District of Illinois and indeed all of Chicago, I am privileged to congratulate Mark A. Angelson for his achievements and to welcome him to Chicago.

HONORING TUSKEGEE AIRMEN AND THEIR CONTRIBUTION IN CREATING AN INTEGRATED UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

SPEECH OF

HON. LOIS CAPPS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 1, 2004

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong support of H. Con. Res. 417 and in recognition and gratitude for the lifetime of service provided to his country by Central Coast resident and Tuskegee Airman, Mr. Art Hicks.

The Tuskegee Airmen were a group of brave Americans who volunteered to become this country's first African-American military pilots. These courageous men flew airplanes for their country in the war against fascism, while enduring and waging their own struggle against racism and segregation here at home. Despite the predictions of many defenders of segregation that the Tuskegee Airmen would end in failure, they developed a record of unparalleled skill and courage.

One hundred fifty brave Tuskegee Airmen were lost during training or combat, but they destroyed more than 1,000 German aircraft. Unbelievably, despite flying over 200 bomber escort missions during the war, they never lost a single bomber under their escort.

No one exemplified the honor and service of the Tuskegee Airmen more than Art Hicks. He was born in Georgia in 1922 and grew up under the dark cloud of segregation and its daily dangers, indignities, and humiliations. During World War II, he volunteered to become a Tuskegee Airman.

He eventually served 28 years in the military, retiring in 1971. But after the War, he continued to encounter the racism that also greeted so many of his fellow comrades.

In 1989, nearly single-handedly, he fought and won a battle to remove a barrier to integration at the Elks Lodge and eliminate a stain from this venerable and honorable institution. Doubtless fueled by the same courage and commitment to fight wrong that had propelled him to sign up to be a Tuskegee Airman some four decades earlier, Mr. Hicks fought to eliminate the rule that allowed any three members of the Elks Lodge to block admission of potential members. In many cases, this rule helped to continue a pattern of exclusion based on race or religion. Mr. Hicks began a local letterwriting campaign, was eventually joined by the NAACP, and saw the rule abolished at the Elks national convention later that year.

Mr. Speaker, the Tuskegee Airmen exhibited bravery, skill and sacrifice for their country, while often facing mistreatment from the